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May 15, 2001

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275, Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Application
H (8) Sand, Reservoir A
West Bay Field
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Northcoast Oil Company to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the H (8) Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, to wit:

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the above sand and reservoir in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.
2. To create a drilling and production unit for the sand and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created.
4. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit well for the unit so created be exempt from the well location provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
5. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify the unit so created, by Supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
6. To consider any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The H (8) Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8,820' and 8,847' (electrical log measurements) in the Northcoast Oil Company - F. K. Timolat et al No. 1-D Well, located in Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

All pertinent data relating to the subject application for the above sand can be purchased AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY from Mr. Eric Broadbridge (504) 898-3577.

The pre-application conference as scheduled in the pre-application notice **WILL NOT BE HELD** because a request for this conference was not received from an Interested Party, Interested Owner or Represented Party receiving a copy of the notice.

A plat outlining the proposed unit was attached to the pre-application notice that was sent to all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties. A list of the names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties who are being furnished a copy of this application was attached to the pre-application notice and is available to all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties upon request. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties as required by the Rules of Procedure. Also, enclosed is remuneration for the hearing fee.

Very truly yours,



Anthony S. Carollo, Jr.

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
Office of Conservation
P.O. Box 51285
Lafayette, LA 70505

Interested Parties, Interested Owners, and Represented Parties

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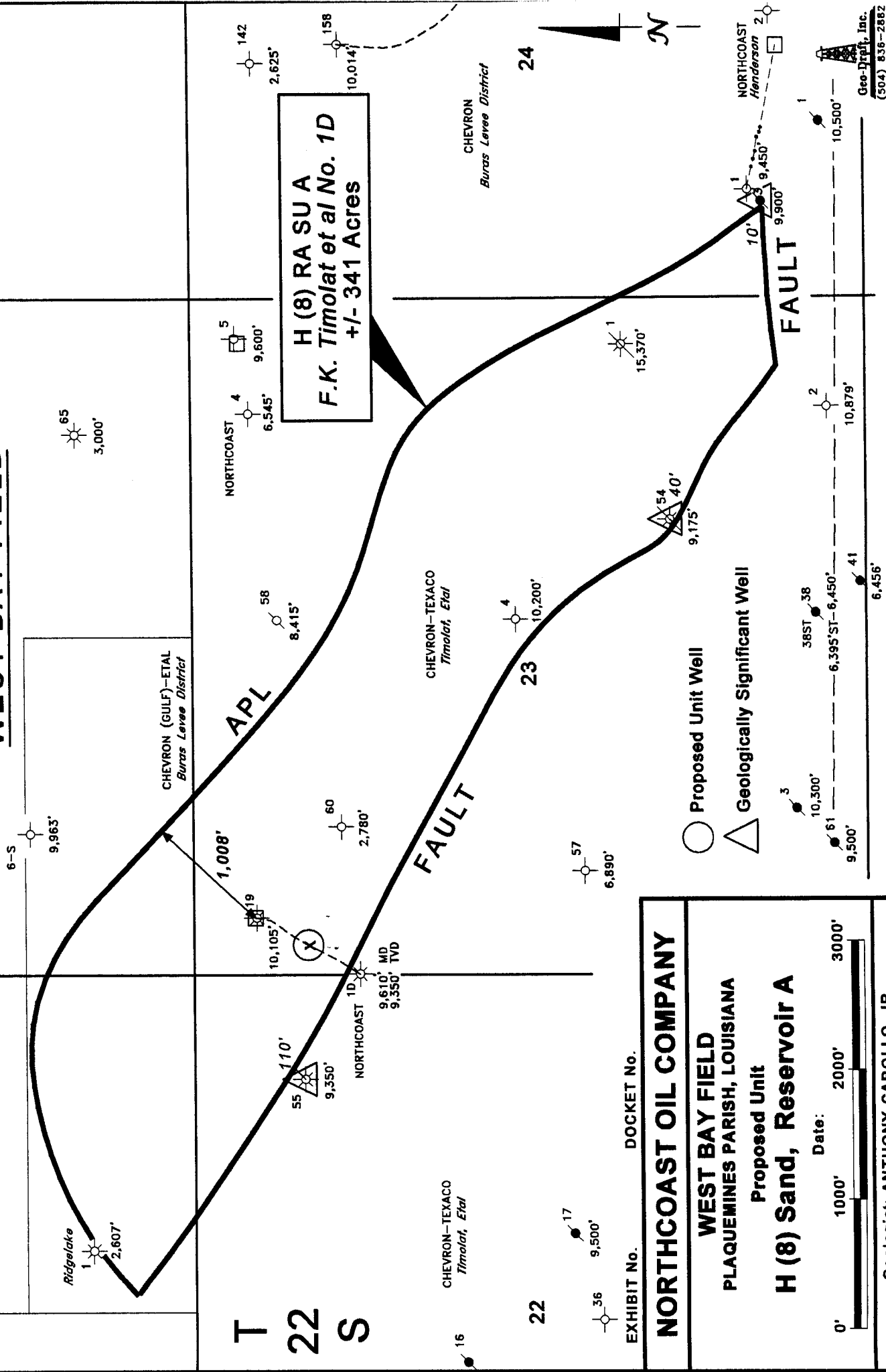


EXHIBIT No. DOCKET No.

NORTHCOAST OIL COMPANY

WEST BAY FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA
Proposed Unit
H (8) Sand, Reservoir A



Geologist: ANTHONY CAROLLO, JR.